

.....

Intimations.

DAKIN BROS. OF CHINA, LIMITED.

DAKIN'S EXTRACT OF GLYCERINE AND CUCUMBER.
Renders the skin soft, supple and smooth.
Invaluable in the NURSERY, indispensable in the TOILET.

Removes and prevents ROUGHNESS, REDNESS, and CHAPPING.

Its agreeable property of softening and clearing the skin will be noticed after three or four days use, and by its continued application the complexion will be preserved indefinitely, retaining to the last the fine texture of youth. Gentlemen will find its application useful and soothing after shaving.

Price, Cents 40 and 75 per Bottle.

Saunders' Etili, Mysterieux, or box of Toilet Secrets.

A compact and convenient arrangement of Toilet necessities.

Price, \$1.50.

DAKIN BROS. OF CHINA, LIMITED, CHEMISTS, HONGKONG.

(Telephone No. 60.)
Hongkong, 12th October, 1889.

NOTICE.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LD.

FLOWER AND VEGETABLE SEEDS.

SEASON 1889-1890.

WE have just received our New Season's

importations, direct from the best growers in England, France, and Germany, and are now

prepared to execute all orders received for same, with prompt and careful attention.

DESCRIPTIVE CATALOGUES

for ordering from (containing hints for gardening) will be sent post free on application.

ORDERS FROM ONE PERSON \$5 TO \$10

ALLOWED 25 PER CENT. DISCOUNT.

ORDERS FROM ONE PERSON OVER \$10 ALLOWED

AN EXTRA 5 PER CENT. DISCOUNT.

SINGLE PACKETS AT LIST PRICES.

WE GUARANTEE

That all seeds sold by us shall prove to be as

represented, to the extent that they should not

do so will replace them, or send other seeds

of the same value. But we cannot guarantee

the crop any further than the above offer, as

there are so many causes which operate un-

favourably in the germination of seeds in a tropical

climate, over which we have no control. Among

the causes of failure may be mentioned un-

favourable weather, which is one of the most

important. The soil may be in proper condition

when the seed is planted, but the weather which

follows may be too wet, which will cause the

seed to rot; or it may be too hot and dry, which

destroys the germ before it shows itself. The

soil may also be unsuitable for the variety of

seed planted. And lastly, the seeds may be and

are frequently destroyed by vermin of various

kinds. Such occurrences are beyond the power

of man to prevent, and for which we cannot be

responsible.

Hongkong, 3rd September, 1889.

WATSON'S.

PATENT DRESSING

OR

DRYING BOTTLES.

We beg to call special attention to our New

PATENT DRYING OILS

which have been specially

designed and

manufactured

for us.

By the use of these OILS, CIGARS, SEEDS,

and GOODS of all kinds, which are susceptible

to the destroying influences of moisture can be

kept in good and perfect condition.

Whenever or wherever the atmosphere is sur-

charged with moisture these Bottles will be

found invaluable.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LIMITED.

THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY,

Hongkong, 3rd September, 1889.

15

15

15

15

15

15

15

15

15

15

15

15

15

15

15

15

15

commercial morality and universally recognised business principles, was it good policy to kill the goose that laid the golden eggs?

Surely not! During the disgraceful era of "corners" and "booms," the game of the spider and the fly was generally played, and with a considerable amount of success by a certain type of the genus broker, and, on paper at least, very large sums of money were realised from combined brokerage and inspired trafficking.

To take one instance, it was currently reported a few months back that a well known firm of operators had cleared between twenty-five and thirty thousand dollars as *brokerage* during one month.

Now, this was probably a mere *casualty*, but nevertheless it was sufficiently suggestive to point a moral that ought not to have been lost sight of.

The fact that the ranks of the share-brokers totalled eighty-seven members, or about three brokers for every principal, is a history in itself, on which comment would be thrown away.

Of course, something must be done by the really *bona fide* brokers in self-defence.

The proposed Brokers' Exchange should be placed on a proper basis without delay.

We are told that it would have been a going concern ere now had it not been for the carrying out of certain alleged necessary legal formalities. Rubbish! Any lawyer in the colony who knows his business—they are few and far between, we readily admit, but still there are some competent men in "the profession"—

could have drafted in an hour's time a set of regulations that would have met every requirement. A Broker's Exchange may not prove a panacea for all the evils existing in our local system of share dealing, but by establishing a proper code of rules, admitting only persons of respectability whose financial stability is thoroughly guaranteed, and establishing a reasonable tariff of brokerages, most of the present difficulties will be fairly met.

Of one thing brokers may feel quite assured, which is that unless they very promptly remedy existing abuses and "set their house in order," the Government will step in and do it for them in a fashion that may not prove altogether agreeable.

TELEGRAMS.

THE CZAR'S VISIT TO BERLIN.

LONDON, October 13th.

The Czar at Berlin was accorded but a cool reception by the populace. At a Banquet, the Emperor of Germany expressed a hope that the friendship of a century, which he regarded as a legacy from his ancestors, would continue. The Czar, in reply, toasted Prince Bismarck.

THE "ARDGAY."

TOURANE, October 14th.

The *Arday* arrived here on Sunday afternoon all right, and immediately after coaling will come on to Hongkong.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

We don't publish the letter signed "Eyes of Justice" because we have not the remotest conception of the writer's meaning.

A MATCH between the "under 25" and "over 25" members of the Hongkong Cricket Club will be played on Saturday, commencing at 11.

THE *Shanghai Mercury* hears on good authority that *Sheng Tsai* will be removed from Chefoo—although not for some time to come—and is likely to be sent to Hankow.

As we intimated early last week would probably be the case, the steamship *Arday* has been successfully floated. She arrived at Tourane on Sunday afternoon and will come on to this port after coaling.

In consequence of the inadequate amount paid in notwithstanding the large number of shares applied for, the Directors of the proposed Hongkong Lime and Cement Works, Limited, have decided not to proceed to allotment on the original basis of the prospectus and will, in exchange for Bankers' receipts, return the applicants their money.

ACCORDING to Singapore advices Rawang's loss was Jeleb's gain. A thousand of the coolies thrown out of employ by the Rawang collapse were engaged by the rival mine, at practically no expense, whereas they had cost the Rawang people an enormous sum. This saving was so great, indeed, that the mining and prospecting which Mr. Dunnan is conducting are actually covered by the interest on the capital. Well, we shall be glad if "Billy" can make a profitable show.

ANOTHER prominent Chinese of this colony has gone over to join the great majority. We refer to Mr. Ng Yung, for many years the head comprador of Messrs. Butterfield and Swire, who died last night. The deceased had been quite ill for some time past, and his death was not quite altogether a surprise to his numerous friends. He leaves behind him a large family, and an estate in this colony and in China estimated at nearly half a million dollars. Sugar is evidently a paying business.

LAST Thursday afternoon (says the *N. C. Daily News* of the 9th inst.) the British Consul at Kiangtung telegraphed to Hankow for H.M.S. *Porpoise* to be sent down owing to some trouble which had occurred. It seems that Mr. Styan was out shooting and he accidentally hit a Chinese boy, a few pellets embedding in the boy's flesh. The natives immediately seized Mr. Styan and he was rather roughly handled. The British Consul having been communicated with, a request was sent to the Tatal to procure Mr. Styan's release. There seems to have been some difficulty in obtaining his release, and as rumours of possible outrage by rowdies on the Settlement were rife, it was deemed advisable to send for the *Porpoise*. Her commander hastened down to Kiangtung, but when the man-of-war arrived there all was quiet.

STEARNS from the North report heavy gales south of Foochow.

WHAT have "Brownie" and the "Maiden Libeller" to say about the *Arday* now? Where ignorance is bliss, etc., etc.

YESTERDAY morn'g a lot of mat-sheds at the Peak, to the east of the flag-staff, got off fire under suspicious circumstances. The contractor says they were worth \$1,500, which is dearish for eight coolie-hours.

THE *Rising Sun* hears that a new iron steamer ordered from England by the Osaka Shosen Kaisha is shortly expected to arrive at Nagasaki. She is said to be larger than any other steamer owned by the Company, and is to cost yen 200,000.

THE Band of the A. & S. Highlanders will play at the Officers' Mess, Murray Barracks, this evening, commencing at 8.15 o'clock. The following will be the programme:—

March of the Peers from "Jalanthe" Sullivan.

Selection of the Peers from "Jalanthe" Sullivan.

Selection of the Peers from "Jalanthe" Sullivan.

Selection of the Peers from "Jalanthe" Sullivan.

Selection of the Peers from "Jalanthe" Sullivan.

Selection of the Peers from "Jalanthe" Sullivan.

Selection of the Peers from "Jalanthe" Sullivan.

Selection of the Peers from "Jalanthe" Sullivan.

Selection of the Peers from "Jalanthe" Sullivan.

Selection of the Peers from "Jalanthe" Sullivan.

Selection of the Peers from "Jalanthe" Sullivan.

Selection of the Peers from "Jalanthe" Sullivan.

Selection of the Peers from "Jalanthe" Sullivan.

Selection of the Peers from "Jalanthe" Sullivan.

Selection of the Peers from "Jalanthe" Sullivan.

Selection of the Peers from "Jalanthe" Sullivan.

Selection of the Peers from "Jalanthe" Sullivan.

Selection of the Peers from "Jalanthe" Sullivan.

Selection of the Peers from "Jalanthe" Sullivan.

Selection of the Peers from "Jalanthe" Sullivan.

Selection of the Peers from "Jalanthe" Sullivan.

Selection of the Peers from "Jalanthe" Sullivan.

Selection of the Peers from "Jalanthe" Sullivan.

Selection of the Peers from "Jalanthe" Sullivan.

Selection of the Peers from "Jalanthe" Sullivan.

Selection of the Peers from "Jalanthe" Sullivan.

Selection of the Peers from "Jalanthe" Sullivan.

Selection of the Peers from "Jalanthe" Sullivan.

Selection of the Peers from "Jalanthe" Sullivan.

Selection of the Peers from "Jalanthe" Sullivan.

Selection of the Peers from "Jalanthe" Sullivan.

Selection of the Peers from "Jalanthe" Sullivan.

Selection of the Peers from "Jalanthe" Sullivan.

Selection of the Peers from "Jalanthe" Sullivan.

Selection of the Peers from "Jalanthe" Sullivan.

Selection of the Peers from "Jalanthe" Sullivan.

Selection of the Peers from "Jalanthe" Sullivan.

Selection of the Peers from "Jalanthe" Sullivan.

Selection of the Peers from "Jalanthe" Sullivan.

Selection of the Peers from "Jalanthe" Sullivan.

Selection of the Peers from "Jalanthe" Sullivan.

Selection of the Peers from "Jalanthe" Sullivan.

Selection of the Peers from "Jalanthe" Sullivan.

Selection of the Peers from "Jalanthe" Sullivan.

Selection of the Peers from "Jalanthe" Sullivan.

Selection of the Peers from "Jalanthe" Sullivan.

Selection of the Peers from "Jalanthe" Sullivan.

Selection of the Peers from "Jalanthe" Sullivan.

Selection of the Peers from "Jalanthe" Sullivan.

Selection of the Peers from "Jalanthe" Sullivan.

Selection of the Peers from "Jalanthe" Sullivan.

Selection of the Peers from "Jalanthe" Sullivan.

Selection of the Peers from "Jalanthe" Sullivan.

Selection of the Peers from "Jalanthe" Sullivan.

Selection of the Peers from "Jalanthe" Sullivan.

Selection of the Peers from "Jalanthe" Sullivan.

Selection of the Peers from "Jalanthe" Sullivan.

Selection of the Peers from "Jalanthe" Sullivan.

Selection of the Peers from "Jalanthe" Sullivan.

Selection of the Peers from "Jalanthe" Sullivan.

Selection of the Peers from "Jalanthe" Sullivan.

Selection of the Peers from "Jalanthe" Sullivan.

Selection of the Peers from "Jalanthe" Sullivan.

Selection of the Peers from "Jalanthe" Sullivan.

Selection of the Peers from "Jalanthe" Sullivan.

Selection of the Peers from "Jalanthe" Sullivan.

Selection of the Peers from "Jalanthe" Sullivan.

Selection of the Peers from "Jalanthe" Sullivan.

Selection of the Peers from "Jalanthe" Sullivan.

Selection of the Peers from "Jalanthe" Sullivan.

Selection of the Peers from "Jalanthe" Sullivan.

Selection of the Peers from "Jalanthe" Sullivan.

Selection of the Peers from "Jalanthe" Sullivan.

Selection of the Peers from "Jalanthe" Sullivan.

Selection of the Peers from "Jalanthe" Sullivan.

Selection of the Peers from "Jalanthe" Sullivan.

Selection of the Peers from "Jalanthe" Sullivan.

Selection of the Peers from "Jalanthe" Sullivan.

Selection of the Peers from "Jalanthe" Sullivan.

Selection of the Peers from "Jalanthe" Sullivan.

Selection of the Peers from "Jalanthe" Sullivan.

Selection of the Peers from "Jalanthe" Sullivan.

Selection of the Peers from "Jalanthe" Sullivan.

Selection of the Peers from "Jalanthe" Sullivan.

Selection of the Peers from "Jalanthe" Sullivan.

Selection of the Peers from "Jalanthe" Sullivan.

We hear that two shocks of earthquake visited the City of III, Department of Kuldja, Chinese Turkistan, during the month of June last, and that the city walls, built of sand, mortar and red earth—a very enduring composition in a country where there is hardly any rain—were so badly cracked as to necessitate the building of a new wall.

COLONEL ANDERSON and our old friends of the Northamptonshire Regiment gave a big "jam-boree" to the *Life* of Singapore on the afternoon of the 4th inst., when lawn-tennis, badminton, rifle-shooting, and billiards, and various other games all drew enthusiastic votaries. The Band of the Regiment discoursed sweet music during the afternoon, and the entertainment proved in every way an unqualified success.

NEWS has been received by the mail to the effect that the new river steamer *Sin Fatshan*, constructed in England to the order of a wealthy native syndicate in Canton, will be shipped to this colony during the present month. It is to be sent out in sections so complete that little or no trouble will be experienced in putting the vessel together here, and the new opposition line on the Canton river is expected to get a fair start by next Chinese new year.

THE cricket match Shanghai v. Hongkong was arranged by the Shanghai C. C. to take place yesterday, to-day and to-morrow, but we rather think the Hongkong players would stand out for at least one day's practice on the strange ground. The Shanghai team are—Messrs. F. Anderson, C. A. Black, D. W. Crawford, F. A. de St. Croix, J. Orman, W. Bruce Robertson (Captain), J. D. Saunders, A. Stewart, F. P. Wickham, A. P. Wood and C. E. Woodward. With anything like decent luck the Hongkong contingent should have no difficulty in holding their own.

SOME time since, that worthy citizen Mr. E. R. Bellios established an order of his own, consisting of a "Belly Joss" decoration to be awarded to those who were instrumental in succouring drowning persons, thus competing with the Royal Humane Society of Great Britain. We have had the privilege of examining one of the medals, and they are in every way worthy of the modest and well-meaning donor. And now we wish to point out that the boatman who saved a drowning passenger who had accidentally fallen overboard, at Whampoa, from a steamer of the Company in which Mr. Bellios holds a controlling interest, has not yet been deemed entitled to this wonderful distinction, although he certainly deserves recognition of some sort.

NUMEROUS sheets of papers in Chinese, printed, it is believed, in this colony, but purporting to have been signed by all the representative Chinese in California, giving in minute details alleged fraudulent practices of Mr. Liang, the detriment of the very people he had been sent to protect, have been freely distributed during the last two or three days by certain persons in this colony, among the principal Nam Pak hong merchants, and other well-known Chinese firms. The "candorous" way in which the charges have been made will certainly entail a "big" libel case, and we learn this morning that the friends of the San Francisco Consul-General in this colony are now taking up the rôle of amateur detectives to find out the publishers and distributors of the libellous sheets, and that a telegram has also been sent to Mr. Liang at San Francisco for a power of attorney to prosecute these persons as soon as the necessary proofs shall have been obtained by Mr. Liang's friends here.

We take the following from Messrs. Wheelock & Co.'s Freight Market Report of October 11th.

Owing to the change in the dates of the mails there has been a lapse of three weeks since our last circular was issued; during this interval a considerable business has transpired for both the London and New York markets and all the available tonnage has been readily taken up. Rates of freight have been well maintained and at the close there is every indication of a rise generally. Coastwise—There has been a strong demand for steamers to load for Kobe and any suitable craft has been eagerly taken up at profitable rates. From Nagasaki to Shanghai enroute via Amoy, the principal arrivals have been sent to Mr. Liang at San Francisco for a power of attorney to prosecute these persons as soon as the necessary proofs shall have been obtained by Mr. Liang's friends here.

Various conjectures (says the *Shik Pao*) have been made as to the object of Sheng Tsai's present visit to Tientsin, but we venture to think it has connection with the telegraph extensions now being made through Kansu and Shensi. The difficulties attending the initial stages of the Peking-Hankow Railway about to be constructed may have also induced His Honour to come forward to offer his assistance, his twenty years' experience and knowledge of foreign affairs rendering his counsel of the utmost value. The exceptional importance of the present enterprise requires men of exceptional talents, and there are but few men of Sheng Tsai's ability, it is the part of wisdom for the Government to avail itself of his services. With the willing co-operation of such men as His Honour, the contemplated enterprise will not be excessively difficult.

A MONTH or so ago a young fellow named Thomas Moss, a form *student* of Mr. Musso, the Italian Consul, left the *Goat* here after having served six months for robbery on board ship. Instead of settling down to work, or taking advantage of the excellent English education Mr. Musso had given him, he returned to his former haunts, and on Sunday night entered the benefactor's office at West Point and robbed the safe of \$975, and of \$3,400 which were there. He probably did so by means of a false key, with which he had previously surreptitiously opened the safe when Mr. Musso's employ. He was arrested in Yee Wo Street, yesterday, by Detective Sergeant McIver, who had accidentally dropped across him in the street, and followed him. He was brought before Mr. Robinson to-day, and denied the charge. Mr. Musso proved the loss of the money, and suggested that some one in his employ had given information to the prisoner, as the money was only secreted in the safe, having been paid in after banking hours on Saturday. The prisoner was committed for trial.

WITH reference to recent floods in Hankow a correspondent writes to the *Shanghai Mercury* under date the 7th inst.—"The flood continues here, and as we have had heavy continuous rain almost ever since the water came

